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AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.114 AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated 5/17/2005, please enter the following amendments and consider the accompanying remarks.

Applicant respectfully petitions for a one (1) month extension of time. Enclosed is a one-month extension fee of \$60.00 as set forth under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1), along with the fee of \$395.00 for a Request for Continued Examination, as set forth under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e).

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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